



Brown's School Acceptable Use Policy for Internet Use for Parents/Guardians



<u>Full Name of Policy</u>	Acceptable Use Policy for Internet Use for Parents/Guardians
<u>Date of Approval</u>	September 2020
<u>Date of Next Formal Review</u>	September 2021



Brown's School aims to empower and educate its pupils so that they are equipped with the skills to make safe and responsible decisions when using the internet and technology. Pupils will be taught to use the internet in a considered and respectful way and will develop their resilience so that they can manage and respond to online risks.

As the parent or legal guardian of the pupil named below, I give permission for the school to give my son/daughter access to:

- ∞ the internet at school
- ∞ ICT facilities and equipment at the school

Internet and ICT

I accept that ultimately the school cannot be held responsible for the nature and content of materials accessed through the internet. However, I understand that the school takes every reasonable precaution to keep pupils safe and prevent them from accessing inappropriate sites and materials through the use of safety filters, monitoring and close supervision by staff.

I accept that the school expects my child to hand in his/her mobile phone to the school office on a daily basis to protect themselves and other pupils from accessing inappropriate material on the internet or sending/receiving inappropriate texts or images when on the school premises.

I am aware that the school's designated e-safety co-ordinator is the Headteacher, George Mitchell. Any concerns I have regarding e-safety should be addressed to Mr Mitchell (georgemitchell@brownsschool.co.uk).

I understand that the school can, if necessary, check my child's computer files and the internet sites they visit whilst they are at school and if there are concerns about my child's e-safety they will contact me.

Use of digital images, photography and video

I understand that the school follows the London Borough of Bromley's guidance on using photographic images of children.

I understand that the school will, if necessary, use photographs of my child or include them in video material to support learning activities. My child will not be identified by name.

I accept that the school may use photographs/video that includes my child in publicity that reasonably promotes the work of the school and for no other purpose. My child will not be identified by name.

I will not take, and then share online, photographs of other children (or staff) at school events without permission.



Social networking and media sites

I understand that the school will control access to social media and social networking sites. Staff wishing to use social media as part of the curriculum will risk assess the site concerned before use and check that the content is age appropriate.

I understand that the school takes any inappropriate behaviour seriously, including inappropriate online behaviour, and will respond to observed or reported unsafe behaviour or cyberbullying. This may involve reporting incidents to the police and asking them to attend school to speak directly to the pupils involved. Parents will be informed in all cases.

As a Parent/Guardian, I support school policies on ICT; I will support the school by promoting safe use of the internet and digital technology at home and will inform the school if I have any concerns. I will act as a positive role model to my child, by ensuring that I use social media responsibly.

My child's name _____

Parent/guardian signature _____

Date _____

Reviewed in Staff Meeting

Person responsible for editing: Jeanette May in September 2020

_____ **Signature**

_____ **Date**

_____ **Headteacher**

_____ **Date**

This policy will be reviewed: September 2021